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Dear Sirs:

February 22, 2008

Thank you for accepting all of AAVS's proposed rejections of the rabbit patent, Patent No. 6,924,413, & also for taking a similar stance in 2004 about the beagle patent. Whether animals are patented or not they still suffer in animal testing every day which is inexcusable as there are many non-animal alternatives available today. They are more accurate, less costly, & more humane.

I am opposed to the USPTO's practice of issuing patents on any animals & hope your Office will consider changing its policy in the near future.

Thank you,

Handwritten signature of Marilyn Evenson.

